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## Veterans News

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### Northern California Veterans Cemetery Receives Grant

The Northern California Veterans Cemetery in Shasta County has received a \$10,000 grant from The McConnell Fund of the Shasta Regional Community Foundation for the purchase of shelter tents to be used during the many public events held at the cemetery.

"We are very pleased with the awarding of this grant because it not only demonstrates The McConnell Fund's commitment to our state's veterans, but also their commitment to adding comfort for those who use the cemetery's services or attend the many patriotic events held there," said Tom Johnson, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

This grant will be used to purchase shelter tents to provide some protection from the sun, rain, and snow for veterans and members of the public who attend ceremonies at the cemetery. This grant also helps the cemetery to continue building strong community relations with veterans and the residents of Northern California.

"The award of this grant is a testament of this community's strong support for the Northern California Veterans Cemetery and the services we provide our veterans and their families," said Northern California Veterans Cemetery Administrator Steve Jorgensen.

The Shasta Regional Community Foundation is a tax-exempt charitable organization working to enhance the quality of life for all people in the North State region. Founded in 1999, the roots of the Community Foundation can be found in the passions of a group of residents concerned with the wellbeing of future North State generations. Today, the Community Foundation services the region by building permanent endowments, addressing needs through grant making and by providing community leadership.

[www.shastarcf.org](http://www.shastarcf.org)

The Northern California Veterans Cemetery is the first state-owned and operated veterans cemetery in the Golden State. The cemetery serves the veteran population in eighteen Northern California counties and provides sufficient burial space for more than twenty years. Any eligible veteran, along with spouses and eligible dependents, may be interred at the cemetery. [www.calvet.ca.gov/Cemetery/Default.aspx](http://www.calvet.ca.gov/Cemetery/Default.aspx)

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